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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of:

Appleton et al.

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For: SURFACE-TRAVERSING VEHICLE

Group Art Unit: Unassigned

Examiner: Unassigned

**PETITION FOR ENTRY INTO NATIONAL PHASE**

(PETITION UNDER 37 CFR 1.137(b))

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

The 30-month date for the U. S. National Phase is July 18, 2000. Consider this petition under CFR 1.137(b) due to an unexpected delay, filed within one year of the 30-month date.

Please charge the petition fee to our Deposit Account No. 50-0384 (Order No. UDL1P027). A duplicate of this petition is attached.

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application, any patent issuing thereon, or any patent to which this verified statement is directed.

Respectfully submitted,

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